

OR, THE
SHEPHERDS
ALMANACK.

BEING
A Diary, or Register for the
Year, 1676.

Which is Bisextile or Leap-
Year.

Wherein you have the Eclip-
ses, and an Astrological Figure;
and many other pretty things, fitting such
a work.

Calculated for the Meridian of
Ghotom (viz.) where the
Wise Men live.

By John Bucknall; Shepherd; a well-wisher
to ASTROLOGY, and PHYSICK.

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To the Shepherds, and Plow-men of England.

My beloved Country-men,

Considering your Candid acceptance of my small beginning ;
I once more present you here with my Annual labours ; accom-
modated to an *Epigram* for your *Diurnal* (and as well
Nocturnal) occasions : which if they be favourably embraced,
in the benign receptacle of your propitious acceptance, or at least
over-shadow it with the benevolent Raies of your amiable sus-
cession, they apply at once very amply accommodate their end : and
(hereby) most dexteriously (in fine) you answer my expectati-
ons. If Captious Zoilus (in the Magnitude of his scurrility)
or any of his malignant, and furious Off-spring, shall so far dis-
play the Banner of his Calumnious Indignation, as to shoot at
me Infernal Granado's of derision, from the mimic Mortar-
pieces of their Plutonianism ; in regard of the homely dress in which
I have adventured it upon the Publick Stage, for the Worlds spe-
culation ; I must tell him, he hath shot over my Head, and is at
far beside the mark, as he sits away, that's off the Cusshes ; and
instead of hitting the Man, he beats the Aweel : Forasmuch as a
mean Garb is most sympathetical with so Inferiour a stile ; and a
plain suit of Gray Sheep-Rasset, is as Congruous with a Shep-
herds Vocation, as a Velvet Coat becometh the degree of a Physician.
As for my Poet, I really am what I profess, and to gratifie my
Fellow Shepherds, these labours were at the ground of the mat-
ter, though I am not ignorant of World's Grammar ; know-
ing right well, that he that Courts his Pen, is apt to neglect his
business. But lest I should tire your patience with a tedious Pro-
face, I shall rest your Friend, in what I say, or do.
From my House in *Sturton* Street. John Bucknall:

Pont. Derbyshire

To John Bucknall, on his Diary.

WHY ? how now John ? art thou turn'd one of those
That view the Stars, and their quaint motion knows ?
I've heard some say those Lamps are as a Book,
By which we do pretend that if ye look
Upon those Lights, as Letters you can read
What's done on Earth, and how things here succeed ;
And some Physicians say that they hereby
Can find Diseases, how ? and where they lye.

And

And from the Question of Perambulation, and so on, I
 Judge if, and when they shall perform the Cure;
 And I indeed sometimes practise that way, yet I rarely
 But seldom find that which the Artists say
 Will rarely fail: And in yon Age I spent
 Much precious time: (which unto me was lent)
 That I here mention, only to advise
 Thee t' prize thy time; and in thy mirth be wise.
 Admit, some grant these second causes be
 As ye suppose; yet let not them lead thee
 So far into their Labarinth as t' hold
 Thee as a Captive from thy Makers Fold.
 'Tis true, thy Book good Counsel gives unto
 Physitians, that they would some pity show
 Unto the Poor, and freely ease their grief;
 So far as Physick will yield them relief.
 But hark thee, *John*; Will then the first Man be?
 If thou say yea; I'm apt to second thee:
 And then (I think) we Practise shall deserve;
 And have it too, if we to freely Carve.
John, what sayst thou to this which I propound?
 Shall we advise the Poor, and ease his wound?
 And freely give our Physick to ease his groans?
 And when all's spent, draw more from Gold and Stones.
 Perhaps thou'lt say, I talk of things at large
 For Salts, and Menstruums t' do, are too much charge.
 But hold thee *John*; thou knowst there are Rich Men
 T' assist us in't: If thou art who? or when?
 Indeed I know not! for I'm at a stand;
 Not knowing who to th' Plow will set his hand.
 But stay my Pen; my Memory doth call
 One now to mind; who doth out-strip us all:
 That's *William Herrick*: whose most Liberal hand
 Hath been stretch'd forth to many in our Land.
 And *Harrington* (that Monument of Fame)
 In this respect to th' Poor hath done the same.
 And I could wish all Rich Physitians would
 Draw Aqua Regia, and dissolve their Gold;
 And then with Alehoof or Wine proceed
 To draw the Tincture, gainst the Poor stand in need.

There's one thing more that in thy Book I see
Thou bid'st the Farmers grind for all the Poor toll-free;
Perhaps they'll say, we'll not, for all the Poor,
If so (say I) let the Wind, and Water do it.
No more I have, but that thou may'st do good
To them that need, as with'd by *J. Wright*

On the Author of this work

Let Shepherds all now in conjunction meet,
That tread the flow'ry Hills, and Valleys sweet;
Let them assemble, and inform each other,
Of this their Fellow, this their happy Brother:
And let it be their conference when they meet,
That now he looks the Stars, instead of Sheep;
And furthermore, may all the Swains suppose,
His Fold a constellation doth inclose:
Or that his Sheep-fold (once assign'd to Pan)
Is govern'd now by the Celestial Ram.
Reputed Scholars, and Scholastick-Men,
Contemn the Vulgar, and out-vapour them;
But for Mechanics (let none crush them under),
If they hold on, they'll make the World to wonder;
Each Trades-man hath a Wit (let none abuse it),
He hath a Genius if he list to use it.
The lowly Shepherd can erect his look,
And in a fallen Grove peruse his Book;
Sit down and read, and exercise his Brain,
As he is walking o'er each lonely Plain;
Unto the Skies his lofty thoughts aspire,
To 'Celestial Spots' to Rudy, and admire;
To Read the Stars (their powerful Influence),
And propagate the news deriv'd from thence.
Would Doctors, and Physicians cease their Art,
And frankly to the meaner sort impart
Their Books, and Chairs, the needy would get wealth,
And ev'ry Patient apt to cure himself;
But if this motion do their minds offend,
We'll purchase Books our selves, and o'ersto bend
Our strong endeavours (and spare for no pains)
To learn their Science though we miss their gains.

J. Wright

The beginning and ending of the Terms in this present Year, with their Returns.

Hilary Term begins *Jan.* 24. and ends *Feb.*
12. and hath 4. returns.

{	1	8 days after <i>Hilary</i> .	{	3	the morrow after	{	<i>Puril.</i>
	2	15 days after <i>Hilary</i> .		4	8 days after		<i>Mary.</i>

Easter Term begins *April* 12. and ends *May*
8. and hath 5. returns.

{	1	15 days after <i>Easter</i> .	{	4	that day 5 weeks.	{	<i>ter</i>
	2	that day 3 weeks after		5	the morrow		
	3	that day Month after		6			

Trinity Term begins *May* 26. and ends *June*
14. and hath 4. returns

{	1	the morrow after <i>Trin.</i>	{	3	15 days after <i>Trin.</i>
	2	8 days after <i>Trinity</i> .		4	3 weeks after

Michaelmas Term begins *October* 23. and ends
November 28. and hath 6. returns.

{	1	that day 3 weeks after	{	4	the morrow after	{	<i>MT</i>
	2	that day Month after		5	8 days after		
	3	the morrow after <i>All Souls</i>		6	15 days after		

Note also, the *Exchequer* opens 8. days before
any Term begins, except *Trinity* Term, in which
it opens but 4. days before.

THE glorious Planet *Jehus*, which we Shep-
herds, call the Shepherd Star; is our bright
Evening Star, from the beginning of the Year, un-
til the 20th. of *August*; and then passing her Con-
junction with the Sun, is our glorious Morning Star
again; and so continues to the end of the Year.

Common Notes for the Year, 1676.

According to the English, and Foreign Account.

English Account.		Foreign Account.
5	Golden Number	5
5	Cycle of the Sun	5
15 A	Dominical Letters	CD
25	Epaet	15
14	Roman Indiction.	14
January 23	Septuagesima	2 Feb.
Feb. 9	Ashwednesday	19 Feb.
Feb. 13	Quadragesima	23 Feb.
March 26	Easter-day	5 April
April 30	Rogation Sunday	10 April
May 4	Ascension-day	14 May
May 14	Whit-Sunday	24 May
May 21	Trinity Sunday	31 May
Decem. 3	Advent Sunday	29 Nov.

Times forbidding Marriage.

From Advent Sunday in the 11th Year, until the 15th of January in this Year. Then at Septuagesima, January the 23^d. it is forbidden, untill Low Sunday, April the 2^d. And at Rogation Sunday, April the 30th it is gone out again, untill Trinity Sunday, May the 21st. From whence it continueth untill Advent Sunday, viz. the 3^d of December.

Fairs kept at Darby.	
1. The Friday after Epiphany.	Jan. 7.
2. The Friday in Easter-week.	March 27.
3. The Friday after May-day.	May 6.
4. The Friday in Whitsun-week.	May 19.
5. The Friday before Mid-summer.	June 23.
6. On St. James's-day.	July 25.
7. The Friday before St. Michael.	Sept. 22.

A Tide-Table, with the names of the Havens

	Hour.	Min.
Rochester, Maidon, Rordecen.	0	55
Graveland, Rumney, Ramkins.	1	30
London, Tinnouth, Hardepool.	3	0
Fris, Leis, Dumber, Nalbiff.	4	30
Newcastle, Falmouth, Humber.	5	15
Lyn, Antwerp, Plymouth, Hull.	6	00
Bristol, Lanion, Boulneis.	6	45
Wulford, Bridgewater, North Coast.	7	30
Portland, Peterport, Hanflew.	8	15
Dover, Yarmouth, Harwich, Dublin.	10	30
Calice, Rie, Wi chesley, Calhor.	11	15

The use of the Table.

Enter the Almanack with the day of the Month; and in the fourth Column, you have the Moons coming to South; then enter the Tide-Table, and find the name of your place, and see how many hours and minutes be annexed thereto in the Column marked with hour, min. which added to the hour and minute of the Moons coming to South, gives you the time of high-water, for the place required. And note, that if the sum exceed 12 hours; you must deduct 12 hours, and the remainder is the time inquired for.

Example.

THE first of February, I find the Moon comes to South at 9 hours, 55 min. I look in the Tide-Table for *Bristol*, and on the right-hand I find 6 h. 45 m. which I add to the Moons coming to South, 9 h. 55 m. and they make 16 h. 40 m. but because they exceed 12 h. I deduct 12, and the remainder is 4 h. 40 m. the time of high water at *Bristol*, that morning, so of the rest.

To know the hour of the Night, by the southing of the Moon.

First find the southing of the Moon, as you were taught before; then repair to a Sun-dial, and observe the h. and m. the shadow of the stile wanteth, or is past the h. of 12; then to so many h. and m. as the shadow is past 12, add the southing of the Moon; and to so many h. and m. as the shadow wanteth of 12, subtract the southing of the Moon; and the remainder is the hour of the Night desired.

A Table, shewing the time of the Sun's rising, and setting, the length of the day, and night, with the break of day, and continuance of very-light; for the Latitude of 52 degrees, and 40 minutes.

Mon	Day	Break of day	Sun's rising	Length of day	Length of night	☉ L. r. time	M. w. light	Mon
		H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	
10	3	57	6	0	12	0	6	0
13	3	49	5	53	12	14	12	46
16	3	42	5	47	12	20	11	43
19	3	34	5	41	12	28	11	32
22	3	27	5	35	12	30	11	25
25	3	18	5	28	13	4	10	56
28	3	9	5	22	13	10	54	6
31	3	0	5	16	12	28	10	22
3	2	52	5	10	13	40	10	20
6	2	42	5	4	13	52	10	8
9	2	33	4	58	14	4	9	56
12	2	23	4	42	14	10	9	44
15	2	13	4	47	14	26	7	34
18	2	2	4	41	14	38	9	22
21	1	50	4	3	14	48	9	12
24	1	37	4	30	15	0	9	0
27	1	24	4	25	15	10	8	50
30	1	8	4	20	5	20	8	40
3	0	41	4	15	15	30	8	30
6	0	5	4	11	15	38	8	27
9			4	7	15	46	8	14
12			4	3	15	54	8	6
15			3	59	16	2	7	58
18			3	56	6	8	7	52
21			3	52	16	16	7	44
24			3	49	16	22	7	38
27			3	46	16	28	7	32
30			3	4	16	32	7	28
2			3	42	10	36	7	24
5			3	41	16	38	7	22
8			3	41	16	38	7	22
11			3	41	16	38	7	22

A Table shewing the time of the Sun's rising, and setting, the length of the day, and night; with the break of day, and continuance of twy-light; for the Latitude of 51 degrees, and 40 minutes.

Mon.	Days	Break of day.		Sun's rising.		Length of day.		Length of night.		Sun's setting.		Twy-light e.		Days	Mon.
		H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.		
September.	1	3	57	6	0	12	0	12	0	6	0	8	3	10	March.
	15	4	5	6	6	11	48	12	12	5	54	7	55	7	
	30	4	12	6	13	11	34	12	26	5	47	7	48	4	
	15	4	18	6	19	11	22	12	38	5	41	7	42	1	
	30	4	25	6	25	11	10	12	50	5	35	7	35	26	
October.	15	4	31	6	31	10	58	13	2	5	29	7	29	23	February.
	30	4	38	6	38	10	44	13	16	5	22	7	22	20	
	15	4	44	6	44	10	32	13	28	5	16	7	16	17	
	30	4	50	6	50	10	20	13	40	5	10	7	10	14	
	15	4	56	6	56	10	8	13	52	5	4	7	4	11	
November.	1	5	1	7	2	9	56	14	4	4	58	6	59	8	January.
	15	5	7	7	8	9	44	14	16	4	52	6	53	5	
	30	5	12	7	14	9	32	14	28	4	46	6	48	2	
	15	5	18	7	20	9	20	14	40	4	40	6	42	30	
	30	5	22	7	25	8	10	14	50	4	35	6	38	27	
December.	15	5	27	7	31	8	58	15	2	4	29	6	33	24	February.
	30	5	31	7	36	8	48	15	12	4	24	6	29	21	
	15	5	35	7	41	8	38	15	22	4	19	6	25	18	
	30	5	39	7	46	8	28	15	32	4	14	6	21	15	
	15	5	43	7	51	8	18	15	42	4	9	6	17	12	
January.	1	5	46	7	55	8	10	15	50	4	5	6	14	9	January.
	15	5	50	8	0	8	0	16	0	4	0	6	10	6	
	30	5	53	8	4	7	52	16	8	3	56	6	7	3	
	15	5	56	8	8	7	44	16	16	3	52	6	4	1	
	30	5	58	8	11	7	38	16	22	3	49	6	2	29	
February.	1	5	58	8	13	7	34	16	26	3	47	6	1	26	March.
	15	5	58	8	15	7	30	16	30	3	45	6	0	23	
	30	5	58	8	17	7	26	16	34	3	43	5	0	20	
	15	5	58	8	18	7	24	16	36	3	42	5	0	17	
	30	5	58	8	19	7	23	16	38	3	41	5	0	14	
March.	1	5	58	8	19	7	22	16	38	3	41	5	0	11	March.
	15	5	58	8	19	7	22	16	38	3	41	5	0	11	
	30	5	58	8	19	7	22	16	38	3	41	5	0	11	
	15	5	58	8	19	7	22	16	38	3	41	5	0	11	
	30	5	58	8	19	7	22	16	38	3	41	5	0	11	

January hath xxxi. days.

New Moon the 5 day, at 5 in the morning.

First Quarter the 12 day, at 9 at night.

Full Moon the 20 day, at 7 at night.

Last Quarter the 27 day, at 6 at night.

Festivals.		Do something.		Signs.	Aspects, and weather.
1	New-years d.	8	13	Thigh.	△ h u with the Scy.
2	h 5 30 6	9	6	Thighs	□ h 2 (pious heart.
3	h 5 48 w	10	5	Knees	△ h 2 wind, with sun
4	h 6 18 w	11	0	Knees	○ 4 2 or cold rain.
5	h 6 43 w	12	17	Knees	most of these days,
6	Twelfth d.	1	4	Legs	○ d 2
7	h 6 50 w	1	48	Legs	so continuing as be-
8	h 6 52 w	2	44	Feet	fore.
9	1. p. Epiph.	3	26	Feet	* ○ d
10	Sol in Aqu.	4	0	Head	
11	h 7 32 w	4	40	Head	△ b 2 Remission of
12	h 7 49 w	5	41	Head	○ d h cold about this
13	St. Hilarius	6	21	Neck	d Apphezon (time.
14	h 8 with *	6	58	Neck	
15	h 8 with Bulk-eye	7	48	Arms	□ ○ h 2 4 8
16	1. p. Epiph.	8	34	Arms	Cloudy weather about
17	h 8 53 w	9	27	Arms	d 9 this time (perhaps
18	h 9 8 w	10	21	Breast	with snow) or storms
19	h 9 10 h	11	9	Breast	of rain.
20	h 9 with Corol	12	4	Heart	
21	Agnes v. m.	0 in	40	Heart	
22	h 10 in Δ to h	1	22	Bow-ls	Winds about this time,
23	Septuages.	2	8	Bow-ls	□ h 2 with cold
24	Term beg.	3	53	Reins	rain, or snow.
25	Con. of St. P. Ju.	4	39	Reins	d Cum Spica Virginis
26	Polycarp	4	29	Secrets	so continuing as be-
27	Agnes term.	5	16	Secrets	* h 2
28	Carol. mag.	6	14	Secrets	d Perigzon.
29	Theodora	7	2	Thighs	Snow, or rain about
30	Septages.	8	1	Thighs	this time.
31	Octiac.	9	9	Knees	* 4 2 Temperate.

The 13 day, at 4 in the morning,
 The 3 day, at 9 at night,
 The 3 day, at 10 in the morning,
 The 6 day, at 6 in the morning,

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is with the Moon,

1 Seven Stars let at 18 min. past 4 in the morning.
 2 Seven Stars South at 5 min. past 8 at night.
 3 Evening Star lets at 44 min. past 5 at night.

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 5 If in this Month the Wind abide long in the South, then it
 6 is like to be plenty of Grass, and Hay, whereby the Farmer
 7 may. (if he be not idle) provide well for a hard Winter: it
 8 likewise signifies little drought in that Year.

9
 10 But if the wind abide long in the North, then we shall
 11 have store of Frost, but little Snow.

12
 13 Seven Stars South at 22 min. past 7 at night.
 14 Seven Stars let at 34 min. past 3 in the morning.
 15 Evening Star lets at 35 minutes past 5 at night.

16
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 18 Some say, that if on the 12th. of January the Sun shine,
 19 it forebode much wind. Others predict by St. Paul's day
 20 saying, if the Sun shine, it breaketh a good Year: if it rain
 21 or snow, indifferent: if misty, it predicts great dearth: if it
 22 thunder, great winds, and death of People that Year.

23
 24
 25
 26
 27 Evening Star lets at 22 minutes past 6 at night.
 28 Seven Stars lets at 16 minutes past 2 in the morning.
 29 Seven Stars South at 6 at night.
 30 King Charles the 1. Martyrdom.
 31

February hath xxix. days.

New Moon the 3 day, at 7 at night.
 First Quarter the 11 day, at 6 at night.
 Full Moon the 19 day, at 8 in the morning.
 Last Quarter the 25 day, at 2 in the morning.

	Festivals.	Da. Lou- thing.	Signs.	Aspects, and weather.
1	0 6 6	9 m 55	Knees	Temperate weather be- gins the month.
2	Candlemas d.	10 37	Legs	
3	0 12 0	11 23	Legs	
4	0 18 0	12 19	Feet	☉ ☽ Winds, bring-
5	0 24 0	0 A 41	Feet	☉ ☽ Wind Snow, or
6	Shrove-Sund.	1 3 2	Feet	Rain, or sleet, a-
7	Shrove-Mund.	2 40	Head	☐ ☽ dont chuse days.
8	Shrove-Tuefd.	3 26	Head	
9	Ashwednesday	4 12	Neck	☽ Apogee
10	☽ with 7 stars	4 54	Neck	* ☽ ☽ Winds, can-
11	☽ with Bulls-eye	5 45	Arms	ing some Snow.
12	Termin ends.	6 28	Arms	Rain, or sleet about
13	Quadrages.	7 13	Arms	☽ ☽ this time.
14	Valentine	8 0	Breast	* ☽ ☽ Winds (perhaps
15	☽ 16 X	9 0	Breast	with Rain) and
16	Ember-week	9 46	Heart.	* ☽ ☽ Frost intermits.
17	☽ 28 45 F	10 48	Heart	Cloudy weather, with
18	☽ 5 16 0	11 30	Heart	Frost about this
19	☽ 12 10	12 14	Belly	time.
20	☽ 19 10	1 0	Belly	* ☽ ☽ Snow, or Rain,
21	☽ with Spica M.	2 0	Reins	about this time.
22	☽ 7 26 0	3 0	Reins	(perhaps) with Frost.
23	☽ 14 26 V	3 27	Secrets	☐ ☽ ☽ Some storms
24	☽ 21 26	4 14	Secrets	about this time.
25	St. Matthias	5 0	Thighs	
26	☽ 28 26	6 0	Thighs	So continuing still.
27	☽ 3 26	7 0	Knees	☐ ☽ ☽ Intemperate
28	☽ 10 26	8 0	Knees	weather.
29	☽ 17 26	9 0	Legs	

The 9 day, at 1 at night,
 The 28 day, at 8 in the morning,
 The 29 day, at 23 m. afternoon,
 The 5 day, at noon,

is with the Moon.

1 Evening star sets at 38 minutes past 6 afternoon.

2 Seven stars south at 50 minutes past 5 at night.

3 Seven stars set at 54 minutes past 2 in the morning.

4 This Month is my Rule for the Spring and Summer, the
 5 knowledge of which, brings profits to the Husband-mans.

6 If we have Floods in this Month, we shall have store
 7 of Hay and Grass, the ensuing Day.

8 But if this Month be dry and frosty, it usually pro-
 9 duceth scarcity of Hay and Grass.

10 Seven stars south at 21 minutes past 5 at night.

11 Evening star sets at 34 minutes past 7 afternoon.

12 Seven stars set 29 minutes past 1 in the morning.

13 If thou dost love thy Sheep (I say)

14 he shall give them store of Hay;

15 For if thy Hay thou think to spare;

16 Thy Sheep that Year will be but bare.

17 Some say, Thunder upon Shrove-Tuesday foretelleth
 18 Wind, Drought of Fruit, and plenty. Others affirm, that so
 19 much as the Sun shineth that day, so like he will shine every
 20 day in Lent.

21 Evening star sets at 3 minutes past 8 at night.

22 Seven stars south at 3 minutes past 4 at night.

23 Seven stars set 12 minutes after mid-night.

March hath xxxi. days.

New Moon the 4 day, at 10 in the morning.
 First Quarter the 13 day, at 2 afternoon.
 Full Moon the 19 day, at 7 at night.
 Last Quarter the 26 day, at 10 in the morning.

	Festivals.	De Iou- thung.	Signs.	Aspects and weather.
1	David	2 49	Legs	☿ may fall. 20
2	Chad	10 m 17	Feet	Indifferent good wea-
3	Marling	142 m	Feet	about the season
4	Mid. S. Lent.	11 m 40	Feet	conspicuous
5	2 18 w	12 A 44	Head	Mercury may be seen
6	2 18 w	1 34	Head	after the Sun is 12
7	2 18 w	2 11 5	Neck	☿ Apogee of 12
8	2 16 56 v	2 11 56	Neck	☿ at 12 Retrog.
9	D with 7 Stars	3 40	Neck	Good spring weather
10	2 16 56 v	4 1 59	Arms	about this time.
11	2 27 32 f	5 1 59	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
12	5 Sund. in Lent	6 18	Breast	Still continuing as
13	h 10 22 d	6 58	Breast	before.
14	2 19 49 w	7 20 50	Breast	Mercury Retrograde
15	2 19 49 w	8 1 54	Heart	to the Month end.
16	D with 10 Stars	9 1 53	Heart	☿ 12 12 12
17	2 25 55 w	10 1 53	Bowels	☿ 12 12 12
18	2 25 55 w	11 1 53	Bowels	☿ 12 12 12
19	Palm Sunday	12 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
20	D with spica m	13 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
21	2 25 55 w	14 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
22	2 25 55 w	15 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
23	2 25 55 w	16 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
24	2 25 55 w	17 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
25	2 25 55 w	18 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
26	2 25 55 w	19 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
27	2 25 55 w	20 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
28	2 25 55 w	21 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
29	2 25 55 w	22 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
30	2 25 55 w	23 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12
31	2 25 55 w	24 1 53	Arms	☿ 12 12 12

The 7 day, at midnight,
 The 16 day, at 6 at night,
 The 30 day, at 4 in the morning,
 The 6 day, at 7 at night.

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is with the Moon.

Seven Stars South at 4 in the afternoon.

If this Month be warm and dry, it is a sign of a plentiful Year; But if in this Month there be Floods, Frosts, or Snows, or if it be colder than ordinary, it betokeneth scarcity of Corn, especially of Rye and Wheat.

Seven Stars set 40 min. past 11 at night.

Evening Star sets 43 min. past 8 at night.

Some say, there will be so many Hoar-frosts after Easter, as there were blizzards in March.

Seven Stars South at 24 minutes past 3 afternoon.

If that the ground were flooded be, thou mayst (I think) see Rye fore-se;

If for the Fall thou dost not care,

Before thy sleep, but it will fare;

For so providence (in one good way)

Ever will and then it shall be Hay;

If any thing will do them good,

I think that Hay is wholesome food;

Then with the Proverbs do not mar

A Lamb, to save a little Yare.

Seven Stars South at 16 min. past 2 afternoon.

Seven Stars set 16 min. past 10 afternoon.

Evening Star sets with the Seven Stars.

April hath xxx. days.

New Moon the 3 day, at 2 in the morning.

First Quarter the 11 day, at 6 in the morning.

Full Moon the 18 day, at 2 in the morning.

Last Quarter the 24 day, at 8 at night.

	Festivals.	☾, Lou- ching.	Signs.	Aspects, and weather.
1	h 12 37 ♂	10 m 40	Head	♂ Stat. ad direct.
2	Low-Sunday	11 17	Head	♂ Gentle Winds about
3	h 21 18 ♀	12 37	Head	this time (perhaps
4	♂ 9 28 ✕	1 A 6	Neck	with Thunder.)
5	h with 7 stars	1 46	Neck	☾ Apogee
6	h with Bull-eye	2 36	Arms	Good weather, the
7	♀ 3 6 II	3 27	Arms	season considered.
8	♀ 4 0 V	4 13	Arms	☾ ☽
9	Miser. dom.	5 2	Breast	* h ♂ Thunder, with
10	h 15 17 f	5 54	Breast	some Rain, about
11	h 13 53 ♂	7 6	Heart	these days.
12	h with Lyons h.	7 44	Heart	
13	h 21 56 ♀	8 21	Belly	Good spring weather.
14	Valerian	9 2	Belly	♂ Blong. max. 1 ☉
15	Olimpia	9 59	Belly	Inclining to showers
16	Jubilate	10 43	Reins	of Rain, about
17	Anicetus	11 47	Reins	these days.
18	Oswin Monk	12 44	Secrets	☾ Perigee (Ferr.
19	Timotheus	1 m 15	Secrets	So continuing as be-
20	h with Scorp. h.	2 17	Thighs	* h ♂ Good weather,
21	♂ 22 51 ✕	3 6	Thighs	☾ but inclining to
22	♀ 20 45 II	4 13	Knees	Thunder, and show-
23	Cantate	5 0	Knees	ers of Rain.
24	h 19 37 V	5 52	Legs	
25	St. Mark Evan.	6 45	Legs	☉ ☽ Cloudy weather,
26	h 25 6 f	7 27	Feet	☉ ☽ perhaps with
27	☾ 10 d. to ♂	8 2	Feet	Wind, some Thunder,
28	Viatic m.	8 49	Head	and forms of Rain.
29	☾ n ☐ with 4	9 29	Head	☉ ☽ Winds, with Rain
30	Rogar. Sund.	10 16	Head	♂ Stat. ad Retrog.
				ends the Month.

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The 4 day at 4 Afternoon Saturn
 The 23 day at 1 in the morning Jupiter
 The 28 day at 4 in the morning Mars
 The 6 day at 6 in the morning Venus

} is with the Moon.

Aprils Observations.

1st day 7 Stars under the Sun Beams.
 2d. day Evening Star sets 6 m. past 10 night.
 If in this Month there be much Rain, it fore-
 shows plenty of Corn; for which cause the Far-
 mer may (if he be not covetous) use Deeds of
 Hospitality, feed the Hungry, cloath the Naked,
 be good to the Widow and Fatherless, &c.

But if this Month of April be for the most
 part Droughty, it usually produces scarcity of
 Corn and Grass.

The 12th. day Term begins
 Hast thou 2 Loaves, 2 Coars, give one of each
 To him that pine, and starves (I the beleech)
 Alas! (Rich man) thou know'st not what thing
 May come unto, when thou art dead & gon.
 Farmers! giveth' poor some Corn, Sheph. give
 Some cloath the back, some fill the Belly (wool,
 Doctors give Physick for meer Charity: (full:
 Millers be sure ye grind their Corn Toll-free.

1st day 7 Stars set 4 m. past 8 at night.
 2nd day Evening Star sets 43 past 10 night.

May hath xxxi days.

New moon the 2 day at 6 at night.
 First quarter the 10 day at 6 at night.
 Full moon the 17 day at 10 in the morning.
 Last quarter the 24 day at 8 in the morning.

Festivals. South. Signs. Mut. Asp. & Weat.

1	b	May day	10	49	neck	Δ 14 The month
2	e	h 16 36	11	m. 32	neck	Δ Apog. begins
3	b	lay St. Cru	12	14	arms	with good weather,
4	e	Alcen. day	1	A. 17	arms	fitting the season
5	e	Obstin. day	2	2	arms	☾ 18, some show-
6	b	John p. Lat.	3	0	breast	ers of rain about
7	e	Exaudi.	4	3	breast	this time.
8	b	Term ends	4	38	heart	Good weather the
9	c	☾ 23 15	5	1	heart	season considered.
10	b	☾ 7 17	6	14	heart	
11	e	☾ 23 15	7	3	belly	☾ 18 winds with
12	e	☾ 30 17	7	49	belly	some showers of.
13	b	☾ 24 17	8	1	reins	Δ 18 rain
14	e	Whit-sund	9	30	reins	Good weather a-
15	b	☾ 14 17	10	24	secrets	bout this time.
16	e	☾ 18 17	11	47	secrets	* 18 gentle show-
17	b	Emh. week	12	28	thighs	☾ Perig. ers of
18	e	☾ 14 17	1	A. 3	thighs	☾ rain about
19	e	☾ 14 17	2	4	knees	☾ 18 this time.
20	b	☾ 23 34 S	2	56	knees	
21	e	Thin. sund	3	55	legs	☾ 17 winds about
22	b	☾ 10 14 II	4	48	legs	this time.
23	e	☾ 23 40 I	5	32	feet	☾ continuing in
24	b	☾ 23 37 II	6	5	feet	☾ 18 before
25	e	Corp. Chr.	6	48	feet	* 18 winds about this
26	e	Term beg	7	37	head	time, with showers
27	b	☾ 18 17	8	10	head	☾ 18 of rain.
28	e	1 past Tr.	8	52	neck	☾ Thunder about this
29	b	☾ Ch. 2. N.	9	33	neck	☾ Apog. time with
30	e	* 18	10	15	neck	winds and rain.
31	b	☾ 18, occ. ☾	11	2	arms	

- 1 The 2 day at 5 in the morning Saturn
 2 The 20 day at 10 in the morning Jupiter
 3 The 27 day at 5 in the morning Mars
 4 The 6 day at 11 before noon Venus

(Is much the
moon.)

Mays Observations

- 5
 6 1st. day 7 stars set 30 m. past 8 at night.
 7 2d. day Evening star sets 55 m. past 10 night.
 8 If in the merry Month of May the Weather be
 9 dry, and the Air of a Gray Colour also, if there
 10 be a gentle North Wind, it promisetb good to the
 11 Husband man, he will have plenty of Corn & Hay.
 12 But if there be a Flood in May, Sheep wil
 13 be in danger of Rotting.
 14 When shepherds should lye down and sleep,
 15 'Tis best for them to keep their sheep.
 16 And if that my advice may now be born, (corn.
 17 'Tis that they may preserve the poor Mans
 18 17th. day 7 stars set 23 m. past 7 at night.
 19 18th. day Evening star sets 54 m. p. 10 night
 20 Some say, that if upon Ascension day it
 21 happen to rain, it signifies scarcity of all kind of
 22 food for Cattle, but if say, it betokeneth plenty.
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 24
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 27 7 stars set 45 m. past 6 at night.
 28 Evening star sets 56 m. past 10 at night.
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June hath xxx days.

New Moon the 1 day at 10 in the morning,
 First Quarter the 9 day at 3 in the morning,
 Full Moon the 15 day at 6 at night,
 Last Quarter the 22 day at 8 at night,
 New Moon the 30 day at midnight.

| | Festivals. | South. | Signs. | Mut. Asp. & Wea.

1	2	4r. 10:11 n	11	40	Arms	☉ Eclipsed visible
2	r	h 20 28 8	12	m. 53	Breast	to us 9 h, 20 m,
3	f	4 20 28 w	1	A. 43	Breast	Δ h 4
4	g	2 past Tr,	2	35	Breast	The shepherds that
5	a	8 25 49 v	3	18	Heart	are diligent in ob-
6	r	Sw, El He,	4	8	Heart	servation of the St,
7	d	8 10, 7 m.	4	58	Belly,	may this 21, (in clear
8	e	9 12 51 n	5	52	Belly,	days) behold ☉ in
9	f	10 10, 14 p. 1	6	21	Reins	the day time,
10	g	Sw. v. sp. m	7	16	Reins	☉ & great winds
11	a	3 p. Tr. or	8	9	secrets	* h 2 about this
12	b	St. Barnab.	9	0	secrets	* ☉ time perhaps
13	c	Sw. m. He.	10	0	Thighs	☉ Perig.
14	d	Term ends	11	0	Thighs	☉ A with Thunder
15	e	8 12 41 af	12	9	Knees	about these days,
16	f	9 18 53 S	1	m. 11	Knees	Hasty Showers of
17	g	10 22 21 f	1	50	Legs	☉ h 4 Rain about
18	a	4 past Tr,	2	39	Legs	these these days,
19	b	h 22 20 8	3	31	Legs	
20	c	Edw. K. M.	4	8	Feet	Good weather, the
21	d	hr. 11 56 af	4	50	Feet	☉ Elong, m. a. ☉
22	e	☐ 4	5	28	Head	season considered,
23	f	Δ 4	6	16	Head	so continuing as be-
24	g	St. Joh. Bap.	6	50	Neck	fore,
25	a	5 past Tr.	7	27	Neck	☉ Apog.
26	b	Sw. 7 St,	8	9	Neck	☉ ☉ forms
27	c	☉ with 8	8	54	Arms	☉ of Rain with
28	d		9	50	Arms	☉ ☉ winds and
29	e	St. P. & Paul	10	6	Breast	☉ Elong. a. ☉ Thun-
30	f	☉ 4	11	12	Breast	der ends the month

- 1 The 26 day at 8 in the morning Saturn
 2 The 16 day at 6 at night, Jupiter
 3 The 25 day at 7 in the morning Mars
 4 The 5 day at 8 in the morning Venus

} is with the
 moon,

June's Observations.

5
 6 If this month be inclined to moderate rain,
 7 it foretells plenty of Hay, Corn, and Grass, the
 8 good wife will have store of Butter, Cheese, and
 9 Milk, (if she have many Cows) whereby she
 10 may (if she be not idle) provide well for her
 11 Family.

12 But if there be no rain in this month, she
 13 will have but a little Dairy.

14 The Shepherd that a drunken wife doth chuse,
 15 Though he have Gold in Bags;
 16 If she do but the Ale-house use,
 17 She'll make him go in Rags.

18 Evening Star sets 13 min. past 10 at night.

19 If in this M. your sheep you don't well keep,
 20 Next Winter you may sit you down and weep;
 21 When Shepherds they do sport and play,
 22 The sheep they then do go astray:

23 Therefore (say I) sleep not upon the ground,
 24 For fear your sheep be driven to the Pound:
 25 And then the Pounder he must have his Fee,
 26 So makes th' poor Shepherd poorer still to be.

27 (hence,
 28 Now th' Farmers royl comes in, we judg from
 29 Th' good Wife may chance & want due Be-
 30 nevolence.
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July hath xxxi. days.

First quarter the 8 day at 9 in the morning,
Full moon the 15 day at 2 in the morning,
Last quarter the 22 day at noon,
New moon the 30 day at 1 in the afternoon.

| Festival, |) South. Signs. | Nut. Asp. & Wea

1	f	h 23 39	12	22	breast	
2	a	6 past Tr.	1	A. 14	heart	☐ ☽
3	b	w. cor	2	34	heart	☐ ☽ Thunder
4	c	11 16 44	3	58	belly	☐ ☽ with some storms
5	d	Anselmus	4	30	belly	* ☐ ☽ of rain in
6	e	218 30	5	28	reins	this week with
7	f	w. spi. 12	6	14	reins	☐ ☽ winds inter-
8	g	10 30	7	1	reins	mixed.
9	a	7 past Tr.	8	54	secrets	☐ ☽ Perig.
10	b	120 17	9	49	secrets	Good Harvest wea-
11	c	11 21	10	49	thighs	☐ ☽ about this
12	d	11 21	11	43	thighs	☐ ☽ St. As. time
13	e	h 24 29	12	53	knees	
14	f	14 15 23	1	48	knees	
15	g	Swith. B. M.	2	25	legs	☐ ☽ ☐ ☽ thun-
16	a	8 past Tr.	3	12	legs	der about this
17	b	1 49 56	4	1	feet	time with showers
18	c	17 30	5	45	feet	of rain.
19	d	18 2	6	27	head	Good Harvest wea-
20	e	h 25	7	9	head	ther about these
21	f	14 44	8	43	head	days.
22	g	☐ ☽	9	31	neck	still continuing as
23	a	2 past Tr.	10	18	neck	before.
24	b	with ☐	11	51	arms	☐ ☽ Apog. ...
25	c	St. James.	12	43	arms	☐ ☽
26	d		1	25	arms	☐ ☽ dry winds
27	e	Jos. of Ar.	2	7	breast	and good weather
28	f	* ☐	3	15	breast	ends the month.
29	g	* ☐	4	38	heart	
30	a	10 past Tr.	5	38	heart	☐ ☽ with Lions heart
31	b	☐ ☽	6	28	belly	☐ ☽

- 1 The 23 day at 7 at night Saturn
 2 The 13 day at mid-night Jupiter
 3 The 24 day at 8 in the morning, Mars
 4 The 4 day at 6 at night Venus

July's Observations.

- 5 1st. day Sun rises 3 h. 51 m. sets at 8 h. 8 m.
 6 2d. day, Days 16 h. 12 m. long.
 7 If th' winds blow North, or East, the time is fit;
 8 To cut down Grass, that you good Hay may get;
 9 But if to th' West or South it chance to wheel,
 10 And th' Air waxe hot, a Thunder-stroke you'l feel.
 11 Therefore say I, if you expect good Hay,
 12 Cut, make, cock, rake, when 'tis a Sunshiny day:
 13 And when 'tis made, then do not mind your play
 14 At Pipes, and Wakes, but fetch the Hay away:
 15 To sing & Fiddlers say, (Sir will you hear a Lesson!
 16 Remember what Advice ye have from Weston.
 17 18th. day Saturn rises 34 m. past 11 at night.
 18 19th. day Stars and Mars rise at the same time.
 19 18th. day Evening Star sets at 9 at night.
 20 19th. day Dog Days begin.
 21 The 1 day of this month, about one o'Clock in
 22 the morning (if the Air be clear) Saturn, Mars,
 23 and the 7 Stars may be seen together in the East.
 24 If wanton Girls on th' Hay-cocks they be
 25 And young men chatter pass by the Hay-cock
 26 Listen to one, that if th' men merry be, (side;
 27 And yet be nigh, you may some pastime see.
 28 30th. day

August hath xxxi. days

First Quarter the 6 day at 2 in the Afternoon

Full Moon the 13 day at noon

Last Quarter the 21 day at 6 in the mornings

New Mo. the 28 day at midnight

		Festivals,	Solub.	Signs.	Mer. Asp. & Wea.
1	B	Lammas d	1 A	Belly	Good Mayest wea
2	D	Stephen	2 46	Belly	ther begins the M
3	F	1 12 43	3 10 6	Reins	
4	F	2 12 43	4 10 6	Reins	2 Stars ad Drift
5	S	3 12 43	5 10 6	Secrets	3 Reins
6	S	4 12 43	6 10 6	Secrets	2 Stars ad Drift
7	S	5 12 43	7 10 6	Thighs	2 Stars ad Drift
8	S	6 12 43	8 10 6	Thighs	2 Stars ad Drift
9	S	7 12 43	9 10 6	Knees	2 Stars ad Drift
10	S	8 12 43	10 10 6	Knees	2 Stars ad Drift
11	S	9 12 43	11 10 6	Legs	2 Stars ad Drift
12	S	10 12 43	12 10 6	Legs	2 Stars ad Drift
13	S	11 12 43	1 10 6	Feet	2 Stars ad Drift
14	S	12 12 43	2 10 6	Feet	2 Stars ad Drift
15	S	1 12 43	3 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
16	S	2 12 43	4 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
17	S	3 12 43	5 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
18	S	4 12 43	6 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
19	S	5 12 43	7 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
20	S	6 12 43	8 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
21	S	7 12 43	9 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
22	S	8 12 43	10 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
23	S	9 12 43	11 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
24	S	10 12 43	12 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
25	S	11 12 43	1 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
26	S	12 12 43	2 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
27	S	1 12 43	3 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
28	S	2 12 43	4 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
29	S	3 12 43	5 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
30	S	4 12 43	6 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift
31	S	5 12 43	7 10 6	Head	2 Stars ad Drift

1 The 10 day at 5 in the morning Saturn

2 The 10 day at 4 in the morning Jupiter

3 The 22 day at 2 in the morning Mars

4 The 29 day at 3 in the morning Venus

} Is with the
moon.

Augusts Observations.

7 The 20 day 7 Stars rise 39 m. past 9 night.

9 In this Month Reap your Wheat and Rie, (if
10 it be ripe) sow your Winter Herbs in the new
11 Moon, Stir your Land for Wheat and Rie, and
12 in the latter end of the month cut down your
13 Oats, (if they be ripe) which every Ingenious
14 Farmer may find out by his Eyes, (if he be not
15 blind) and avoid error.

16 Seven Stars South at 3 min. past 5 morning.

17 Seven Stars rise 50 m. past 8 at night.

19 This Month be sure that thou industrious be,
20 Or else thy Corn within the Field may stay;
21 If in the Ale-house thou do drink till night,
22 (If I can) thy Corn will be but in ill plight:
23 There remember when 'tis a fair day,
24 That in the Ale-house long thou dost not stay.

27 Dog dayes end.

29 Evening Star sets with the Sun.

September hath xxx. days

First quarter the 4 day at 9 at night.
 Full moon the 11 day at midnight.
 Last quarter the 18 day at one in the morning.
 New moon the 27 day at 11 before non.

Festivals, South, Signs, Mut. Asp. & Wea.

		Yr. 1711	A. 51	secrets	Dry winds begin
1		h. 20 16 8	30	secrets	the month
2		15 past Tr.	41	thighs	Dark
3		h. 12 35 2	47	thighs	Temperate
4		h. 10 7 11	54	knees	weather.
5		h. 8 20 31	61	knees	Shattering
6		h. 6 24 17	70	lines	h. 2 1/2 winds com
7		h. 4 20 49	81	legs	h. 2 1/2 winds com
8		h. 2 20 24	90	legs	h. 2 1/2 winds com
9		h. 12 10 11	101	feet	h. 2 1/2 winds com
10		h. 10 17 47	111	feet	h. 2 1/2 winds com
11		h. 8 10 34	121	head	h. 2 1/2 winds com
12		h. 6 2 22	131	head	h. 2 1/2 winds com
13		Exalt. Cru.	141	neck	h. 2 1/2 winds com
14		h. 5 0 8	151	neck	h. 2 1/2 winds com
15		h. 3 1 11	161	neck	h. 2 1/2 winds com
16		h. 1 10 10	171	neck	h. 2 1/2 winds com
17		h. 12 11 37	181	breast	h. 2 1/2 winds com
18		h. 10 10 11	191	breast	h. 2 1/2 winds com
19		h. 8 1 11	201	breast	h. 2 1/2 winds com
20		St. Mathew.	211	heart	h. 2 1/2 winds com
21		h. 12 28 2	221	heart	h. 2 1/2 winds com
22		h. 10 19 10	231	heart	h. 2 1/2 winds com
23		h. 8 10 11	241	belly	h. 2 1/2 winds com
24		h. 6 15 11	251	belly	h. 2 1/2 winds com
25		h. 4 25 11	261	reins	h. 2 1/2 winds com
26		h. 2 25 11	271	reins	h. 2 1/2 winds com
27		h. 12 11 11	281	secrets	h. 2 1/2 winds com
28		St. Mich.	291	secrets	h. 2 1/2 winds com
29		h. 10 11 11	301	secrets	h. 2 1/2 winds com
30		h. 8 11 11	311	secrets	h. 2 1/2 winds com

- 1 The 16 day at 1 in the afternoon Saturn
- 2 The 6 day at 6 in the morning Jupiter
- 3 The 19 day at 4 in the evening Mars
- 4 The 21 day at 11 at night Venus

Septembers Observations.

- 5
- 6 2d. day 7 Stars rise 50 m. past 7 at night.
- 7 2d. day 7 Stars south at 3 m. past 4 morning.
- 8 Gather the Fruits of your Trees after the full
- 9 Moon, and (if possible) when the weather is
- 10 dry: Converting them for use; As Apples to make
- 11 Perinice. &c. And take this for a general Rule,
- 12 that the dryer time you gather them in, the bet-
- 13 ter they will keep. And about the middle of
- 14 the Month Sow Wheat and Rie in strong Land:
- 15 Sow Winter-Parasips, and Carrots: & Get Hives
- 16 of Bees.

- 17 14th day 7 star. south at 24 m. past 3 morn.
- 18 19th day 7 stars rise at 7 at night
- 19 Some say, that so many Floods will happen
- 20 in Winter, as the Moon is days old on Michael-
- 21 mas day.

- 22
- 23
- 24
- 25
- 26 7 stars south at 8 m. past 3 morning.
- 27 7 stars rise at 6 h. 40 m. afternoon.
- 28
- 29
- 30

October hath xxxi.

First Quarter the 4 day at 4 in the morning,
 Full Moon the 12 day at 3 in the Afternoon,
 Last Quarter the 19 day at 8 at night,
 New Moon the 27 day at 12 at night,

Festivals, Sancts, Signs, Mon. Aff. & Wea.

1	A	19 past Tr.	3	A. 46	Thighs	Perig. winds a-
2	B	18 23 73 8	4	45	Thighs	about this
3	C	17 14 29 12	5	44	Knees	time with gentle
4	D	16 3 36 9	6	43	Knees	showers of Rain, &
5	E	15 14 33 11	7	42	Legs	Hail storms.
6	F	14 2 30 12	8	41	Legs	* 2 2 winds about
7	G	13 1 27 13	9	40	Feet	this time with
8	H	12 1 24 14	10	39	Feet	some showers.
9	I	11 1 21 15	11	38	Head	Δ 1 1 Temperate
10	K	10 1 18 16	12	37	Head	weather about
11	L	9 1 15 17	13	36	Neck	these days.
12	M	8 1 12 18	14	35	Neck	2
13	N	7 1 9 19	15	34	Arms	* 5 5 winds about
14	O	6 1 6 20	16	33	Arms	Δ 1 this time can
15	P	5 1 3 21	17	32	Breast	ing Snow or cold
16	Q	4 1 0 22	18	31	Breast	Rain.
17	R	3 1 0 23	19	30	Heart	Some snow or rain
18	S	2 1 0 24	20	29	Heart	Δ 1 1 about this
19	T	1 1 0 25	21	28	Heart	time.
20	U	0 1 0 26	22	27	Bowels	* Elong, max. a.
21	V	0 1 0 27	23	26	Bowels	Indifferent good
22	W	0 1 0 28	24	25	Reins	weather, the season
23	X	0 1 0 29	25	24	Reins	considered.
24	Y	0 1 0 30	26	23	Secrets	Dry winds, and se-
25	Z	0 1 0 31	27	22	Secrets	Δ 1 1 fine weather
26	A	0 1 0 32	28	21	Thighs	* 1 1 ends the
27	B	0 1 0 33	29	20	Thighs	Perig. month.
28	C	0 1 0 34	30	19	Knees	* 0 4
29	D	0 1 0 35	31	18	Knees	

The 13 day at 6 at night Saturn

The 3 day at 4 at night Jupiter

The 17 day at 9 at night Mars

The 22 day at noon Venus

3

11 with the
noon

Octobers Observations.

1st. day Seven Stars rise 4 m. past 6 at night.

2d. day 7 Stars South at 16 m. past 2 morn.

3d. day Morning Star riseth 6 m. past 3 mor.

Sam VVheat and Rie the sooner the better for

sear of Rain: And in the increase of the Moon

remove and set young Trees, as the Pear, the

Apple, the Plum, and Bay-tree, (with this

proviso) that the Wind be not in the East, or

North, for those Winds are usually cold and

Nipping, and therefore hurtful to young Trees:

and after the full Moon (provided the weather

be fair) gather your Fruits.

9th. day Saturn with the 7 Stars.

16th. day 7 Stars South at 24 m. past 1 morn.

17th. 7 Stars rise 10 m. past 5 at night.

Shepherds say, That if Leaves now hang

upon Trees, it betokeneth a cold Winter, or ma-

ny Caterpillars.

If with a Scold thou troubled be,

I'll teach thee one good remedy:

'Tis a Receipt that's good and strong!

With a sharp knife cut out her Tongue.

26th. day 7 Stars South at 14 m. past 1 morn.

27th. day 7 Stars rise 50 m. past 4 at night.

NOVEMBER 11th 1744

First quarter the 4 day at 1 in the afternoon.

Full moon the 10 day at 9 in the morning.

Last quarter the 18 at 1 in the afternoon.

New moon the 25 day at 8 in the morning.

Festivals,		South,	Signs,	Mut, Aff, & Wea.
1	All-Saints	4	A. 14	legs
2	All-Souls	6	28	legs
3	St. Andrew	7	26	feet.
4	St. Andrew	8	4	feet
5	St. Andrew	8	40	feet
6	St. Andrew	9	32	head
7	St. Andrew	9	16	head
8	St. Andrew	10	41	neck
9	St. Andrew	11	34	neck
10	St. Andrew	12	18	arms
11	St. Andrew	0	M. 47	arms
12	St. Andrew	1	27	arms
13	St. Andrew	2	11	breast
14	St. Andrew	4	11	breast
15	St. Andrew	5	15	breast
16	St. Andrew	4	39	heart
17	St. Andrew	5	19	heart
18	St. Andrew	6	02	belly
19	St. Andrew	7	48	belly
20	St. Andrew	8	13	belly
21	St. Andrew	9	24	belly
22	St. Andrew	9	3	secrets
23	St. Andrew	9	54	secrets
24	St. Andrew	10	47	thighs
25	St. Andrew	11	13	thighs
26	St. Andrew	11	13	thighs
27	St. Andrew	12	06	thighs
28	St. Andrew	3	20	legs
29	St. Andrew	4	14	legs
30	St. Andrew	5	14	legs

Star. ad Rect.

Cloudy weather, with snow, Cold rain, or frost about these days.

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Equale winds

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of Cold about

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The weather in

different good to

the month's end.

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- 1 The 9 day at 8 in the night Saturn
2 The 27 day at midnight Jupiter
3 The 14 day at 6 in the morning Mars
4 The 12 day at 2 in the morning Venus

Novembers Observations:

- 1st. day 7 stars set 34 m. past 8 morning.
2d. day 7 stars south 16 m. past midnight.
3d. day Morning star rises 4 m. past 3 morn.
If November prove rainy, misty, and warm, it
is a sign the Winter will prove Snowy, Frosty
and Cold. But if November prove Snowy,
Frosty, and Cold, it is a sign the Winter will
prove rainy, misty and warm.
11th. day Jupiter south at 3 h. 36 m. aftern.
12th. day Jupiter sets at 7 h. 25 m. aftern.
14th. day 7 stars set 34 m. past 7 in the mor.
15th. day 7 stars south 22 m. past 11 at night
16th. day Morning star ris. 22 m. past 3 mor.

Mars South at 32 m. past 2 morning.

Mars riseth 55 m. past 5 afternoon,

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December hath thirty days

First quarter the 2 day at 2 in the morning,
 Full moon the 10 day at 4 in the morning,
 Last quarter the 18 day at 2 in the morning,
 New moon the 24 day at 7 at night,
 First quarter the 31 day at 7 at night.

| Festivals, | South. Signs, | Mut. Aff. & Wea.

1	a	h 23 41	8	5	A. 46	feet	Long max, & ☉
2	b	M 4 44	v	6	36	feet	Good weather,
3	c	Adv. Sun.	7	22	head	fitting the season,	
4	d	10 23	S	8	13	head	some snow
5	e	29 30	M	8	49	neck	☿ or rain
6	f	11 7	Star	9	54	neck	about this time,
7	g	RED		10	24	neck	☿ Apog.
8	h	with ☿		11	2	arms	☿
9	i	12 8	7	11	47	arms	Indifferent good
10	k	2 Advent		12	37	breast	weather, the season
11	l	☿		1	00	breast	considered.
12	m	☿		1	45	breast	
13	n	Lucie V.M.		2	29	heart	☿
14	o	h 19 50	8	3	11	heart	☿ of snow
15	p	M 27 38	v	3	54	belly	☿ or rain
16	q	☿ 5 19	S	4	40	belly	about this time.
17	r	2 Advent		5	16	belly	
18	s	11 7	M	6	1	spine	☿
19	t	☿		6	45	reins	
20	u	Emb, week		7	32	secrets	The weather pre-
21	v	St Thomas,		8	26	secrets	ty Temperate.
22	w	☿, cor M		9	19	thighs	☿
23	x	☿		10	10	thighs	☿
24	y	☿		11	1	thighs	☿ winds with
25	z	Christmas		0	41	spine	☿ of snow
26	a	St. Stephen		1	41	legs	☿ rain, and Frost is
27	b	St. John,		2	31	legs	termixed.
28	c	Innocents,		3	30	feet	The weather
29	d	h 19 26	8	4	17	feet	☿ Cloudy
30	e	M 1 7	M	4	59	head	Cold to the Month
31	f	☿ 9 36	11	5	47	head	end.

- 1 The 6 day at 10 at Night, Saturn
 2 The 25 day at 10 at Night, Jupiter } is with the
 3 The 10 day at 10 at Night, Mars } Moon
 4 The 21 day at 10 at Night, Venus

Decembers Observations.

5 Seven stars set 28 m. past 6 morn.
 6 20. day 7 stars south 2 m. past 10 at night.
 7 3. day Morn star riseth 45 m. past 3 morn.

8 This month is a good time to kill Timber,
 9 to uncover the roots of Trees, as Apple-trees, &c. Now use Lime-twigs, or other Engines to take Birds. Let a warm fire be thy Bahe, the Mitchen thy Apothecaries shop, good hot meat thy Dyer, and according to thy ability invite thy Neighbours.

10 If thou be poor and canst not feast at all
 11 Refer to them that do to feasting call.

12 19 day 7 stars set 24 m. past 5 morning.
 13 16 day 7 stars south at 4 m. past 5 morn.
 14 Morning star rises 17 day 21 m. past 4 morn.

15 Now is the best time to shroud with flannel with
 16 the legs being fast to keep their legs together,
 17 If they will bring men into their beds.
 18 The men to see they'll spoil their Maiden-heads.

19 24th day 7 stars set 22 m. past 4 morning.
 20 25 day 7 stars south at 12 m. past 8 night.
 21 26 d. Morning star rises 47 m. past 4 morn.

The Explanation of the Almanack.

IN the First Column on the left hand Page, you have the dayes of the Month.

In the Second, you have the dayes of the Week, B & being Dominical Letters.

In the Third, you have the Festivals, Planets places; and when the Moon will be with the Fixed Stars; whereby they may be known by observing when the Moon will be with them.

In the Fourth, you have the Moons Southing every day in the year.

In the Fifth, you have the Moons Signs.

In the Sixth, you have the Aspects and Weather, sometimes happening true, at other times false, as it is usually inserted in other Almanacks.

In the First Column on your right hand Page, you have the days of the Month.

In the Second, you have the Rising, Setting, and Southing of the Planets and fixed Stars, whereby may be known the hour of the Night at all times when the Stars appear.

Likewise when the Moon will be with the Planets, whereby they may be known by Shepherds or others (that will take the pains) to observe when the Moon is with them.

The Characters of the Seven Planets.

Saturn ♄, **Jupiter** ♃, **Mars** ♂, **Sun** ☉, **Venus** ♀, **Moon** ☾, **Mercury** ☿, **Dragon's head** ♂, **Dragon's tail** ♀

A Table of the Kings of ENGLAND 26

The Year, Month and Day, (ac-
counting the Year to begin on
the First of January) on which
each King and Queen first the
Crowned, began to Reign.

The number of Years,
& months that each King
and Queen Reigned, ac-
counting 28 days to each
month,

K. Names,	Year	Month,	Ye.	M.	Since	
K. W. Con.	1066	Octob. 14	20	11	589	
W. Rufus,	1087	Septem. 4	12	11	576	W. Ruf.
Henry I.	1100	August 2	35	4	532	Henry I.
Stephen,	1131	Decem. 2	18	12	502	Stephen,
Henry II.	1154	Octob. 25	34	9	487	Henry II
Richard I.	1189	July 6,	9	9	477	Richar. I
John,	1199	April 6,	17	7	450	John,
Henry III.	1216	Octob. 19	56	4	404	Henry II
Edward I.	1272	Novem. 16	34	8	369	Edward I
Edward II	1307	July 7	19	7	330	Edward II
Edward III	1326	Januar. 25	50	5	299	Edw. III
Richard II.	1327	June 21,	32	3	277	Richa. II
Henry IV.	1329	Septem. 29,	13	6	263	Henry IV
Henry V.	1412	March 20	9	5	254	Henry V
Henry VI.	1422	August 30	38	6	216	Henry VI
Edward IV	1460	March 4,	22	1	193	Edw. IV
Edward V	1483	April 9,	0	2	193	Edwa. V
Richard III	1483	June 25,	2	2	191	Rich: III
Henry VII.	1485	August 22	23	8	167	Hen. VII
Henry VIII	1509	April 22	37	10	120	He. VIII
Edward VI.	1547	Januar. 28	6	5	123	Edw. VI
Q. Mary,	1553	July 6,	5	4	118	Q. Mary,
Q. Elizab	1558	Novem. 17	44	4	74	Q. Elizab
K. James,	1603	March 24	22	0	51	K. James,
K. Char. I.	1625	March 27	23	11	28	K. Char. I
K. Char. II.	1648	Januar. 30				

The Shepherds Almanack.

Of the Eclipses of this present Year.

In this Year there will be two Eclipses, and both of them of the Sun.

The first Eclipse of the Sun will happen on *June* the first at 20 min. past 9 in the morning. It will be visible to us, and is celebrated in 21 Degrees of *Gemini*: It will appear total about the *Hesperides* or *Canary-Islands*, and will be seen to such as Inhabit *Greenland*, or Navigate in the North Sea; Likewise in *Siberia*, *Cuba*, &c. and in several other places as the Globe will shew you; But it will not appear in all places alike Eclipsed, as every Student in Astronomy must understand.

The second Eclipse of the Sun happens on *Novemb.* the 25 day, 57 min. past 7 in the morning; the Sun to us will rise eclipsed, and if the Air be clear, we may behold the Eclipse; but because it is not of much concernment to us, I shall say no more of it.

Rules for Blood-letting.

Let Youth blood from the change to the 1. Q.

In middle age, from the 1. Quart. to the full.

In Elder Age, from the full to the last Quart.

In Old Age, never but upon urgent necessity.

In necessity, from the last Qu. to the change.

It is best in the Spring to let Blood, in Summer Quarter 'tis indifferent; as for the rest of the Year, it is bad, and not be used; but upon necessity. The Morning fasting is best, or in the Evening after perfect digestion, provided the Air be temperate (if you can conveniently)

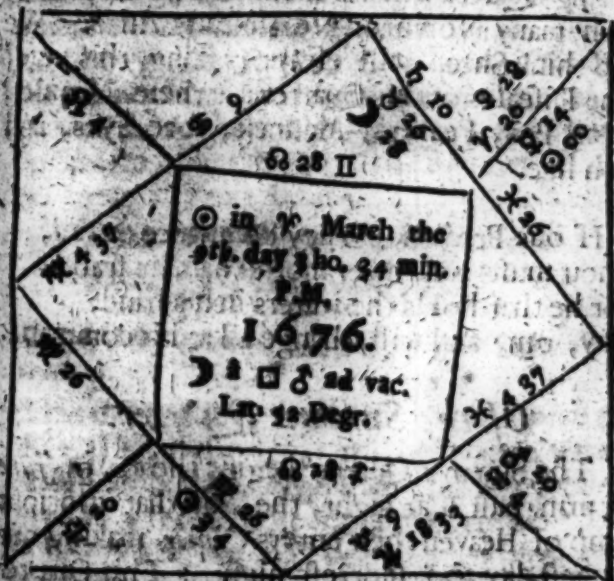
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Of the best Time to bleed.

let the Moon be in δ with γ or η , or in \ast or Δ . Those Persons are not fit to bleed that are under 14 years, or more then 56 years old; or those that be very lean, or exceeding fat: after Bleeding use no *Venery*, nor violent exercise.

Of the Four Quarters of the Year,

The Spring Quarter begins *March* the 9 day 34 min. past 9 in the Afternoon, according to the Learned *Heccher*; the Sun, that glorious Lamp of Heaven, then enters *Aries*, at whose presence the Trees bud, the Herbs grow, and every living thing rejoyceth: this Quarter continueth till the Sun hath run through γ & any Π , and endeth the 10 of *June*.



Having (as the usual manner is,) erected a Figure, which is set to the time above-named, viz. the Sun Ingress into *Aries*, we shall (according to ancient custom) give you our Astrological Judgement.

Of the Shepherds Time.

We find Saturn placed upon the Cusp of the 10. House, the Moon and Dragons Tail in the 10, the Moon in \square to δ ; from which we Predict, that many shall be degraded and cast down from their Preferment they very lately possessed, when they least expect it: We also Predict great want of Trade and Commerce.

We will not forget our fellow Shepherds, but give them this Item, that we think that the Spring Quarter will be inclinable to drought, with many North or North-east winds. We also think Sheep will escape rotting this year: The Diseases of this Quarter are these, Meazles, Small Pox, Feavers, Madneſs, ſore Eyes, and ſuch like,

If our Predictions they do chance to fail,
Thou muſt remember mortal man is frail,
For he that holds the waters in his hand,
May, can, and will, change all at his command.

Of the Summer Quarter.

The Summer Quarter begins the 10. of June 35 min. paſt 6. at night, the Sun that glorious lamp of Heaven then enters Cancer, making our longeſt day and ſhorteſt night: This Quarter continueth till the Sun hath run through Cancer, Lea, and Virgo; and endeth the 12. of September.

Of the Autumn Quarter.

The Autumn Quarter begins the 12th. day of September at 57 min. past 9 in the morning; the Sun that glorious light of Heaven, then enters *Libra*, making our equal day and night: This Quart. continueth till the Sun hath run through *Libra*, *Scorpio*, and *Sagittarius*; and endeth the 10. of December.

Of the Winter Quarter.

The Winter Quarter begins December the 10. day 44 min. past 9 at night, the Sun that shining Lamp of Heaven then enters *Capricorn*, making our shortest day and longest night: This Quarter continueth, until the Sun hath run through *Capricorn*, *Aquarius*, and *Pisces*, and ends the 9th. of March 167.

To know the Weather by the Rising and Setting of the Sun,

When th' sky looks red before the Sun rise you'l find,

That day produce some rain, or else some wind;

But if it be cloudy, and they vanish when

The Sun ascends, expect fair weather then:

And if it be red; it signifies that we

The day ensuing shall fair weather see.

If of a misty cloudy die, you'l gain

From hence this judgement, that th' next day

'twill rain.

The Shepherd's Almanack

By the Moon.

If clear and light her colour to you seem,
Not compassed with Mists; then ye may deem
Wee'll have fair weather; but on th'other hand
When she looks dim, and misty, and a band
Or circle like a wheel shews round her light,
Expect some Rain or Snow before next night.
The Moon's unconstant, and so apt to Change,
Like giddy heads, too subject oft to range.

Prognosticks by the Stars.

When th' Stars more bright and blazing do ap-
pear,

Then commonly in Summer-time we fear
Great winds and wet; this symptome signifies
Evill to ensue; and Shepherds that be wise
Will take their cloak (but not to cloak a knave)
But from the winds and rain their backs to save.

But if the Stars in winter-time do blaze,
And seem to twinkle; when at them you gaze,
And th' wind blow North or East, it doth fore-
shew

Great Frosts at hand, which shortly will ensue;
But when they seem to shoot or fall, you may
Suppose great winds and rain ensue next day.
And if it fall three days later, do not from hence
Conclude 'tis false by your blind Consequence:
For from the Stars it is that we do find
When it will be fair, when rain, frost, snow, or
wind. By

By the Clouds.

If th'clouds in shape be round like dapple gray,
And winds blow north or east, 'tis like next day,
And two dayes after, sometimes three be fair,
There's commonly from hence a serene air:
But if the clouds appear like rocks and towers,
Next day or two 'tis like t'be rain or showers:
When they seem small, and wax large in 2 hours,
Ye may then look for great & soaking showers.
When they seem large, & do decrease, we gather
From hence, forthwith that we shall have fair
weather.

By the Mists.

If Mists from Ponds and Rivers do arise,
And vanish there away, it signifies
It will be fair; but if they mount again
To th' top of th'hills, you may expect some rain.
If a thick mist before the Sun doth rise,
Doth cloath the hills and dales, it signifies
If th'Moon be near opposing of the Sun,
VVe'll have fair air (if't be not yet begun.)
But when such Mists arise, and th'Moon be
new,
When she is old, some rain it doth fore-shew.

By

By the Rain-bow.

If after a long drought you see th' Rainbow,
It shews some rain at hand : but farther know;
If after a long time of wet you see
The Bow appear to view, it sure will be
But if exceeding large it seem to th' view,
Much rain's at hand : If red, wind doth ensue
If in the morning it be seen, from hence
Small rains ensue, soon for the consequence :
If you see two appear together, then
For th' present 'twill be fair, but it is ten
To one, but two dayes after you will see
Some rain ensue (perhaps it may stay three)

By the Winds.

When th' wind to th' N. East turns & stands there
Two dayes, and in that time no rain appear,
Nor turning South, and we have three dayes dry,
Twill blow 8 dayes, from the N. East. (think I.)
And if it then come to the South again,
Next eight or nine dayes will produce no rain:
But if it turn from South to the North-east,
And rain when't turns, and there 2 fair dayes left,
And turn for South nor rain till th' 3 dayes o're,
It's like to stand Northeast 2 months or more.
But th' wind will finish all these turns in three
Weeks time, towards the North (or Northerly)
When th' wind hath been 1st North two months
or more;

And comes to th' South, there's 3 fair dayes or four
And

And then comes rain, else from the N. it blows,
But still 'tis drie, (as observation shews.)
But if in two days it turn south, and fair;
And then turn North (with rain) you'll have
your share.

Of turns and returns and from hence may guess,
That 3 months 't will blow south, or else southw.

As for the East wind I shall little say,
Only great droughts come when the wind's that
way.

But mostly rain comes from the south, or when
Winds turn from W. to S. (the rain falls then)
If th'wind come from th'south with a long rain
And as it stands there prove one week fair again:
'Tis somewhat rare: yet we may judg from hence;
Great droughts at hand, by a due consequence:
When th'wind turns from the N. to th'south,
then we

Have gentle Air, and seldom rain do see:
And on th'contrary, 'twill both blow, and rain,
When it turns from the south to th'Nor. again.
But Potent winds (which us much mischief do,)
Turn from the south to west, and to th'N. go:
But these strong winds blow for th'most part
fair.

Drive away rain, and sweetly clear the Air.

When

When it is likely to be Thunder in Summer,

When the Wind hath been three days from South
and then

The time grows sultry hot, and also when
Clouds with white tops arise, with Towers, so
As if one on another's Back did go,
And joy'd with black toward the weather side;
This is a sign in which you may confide,
That Rain and Thunder will ensue anon;
And bids the Shepherd put his great Coat on:
If two such Clouds as these by you be spide,
One on't side of this, and one on't other side;
It warns the *Barn-door* & *Herdsman* to be gone:
But the good Shepherd stands with his Cloak
hung on:

Stands to his Sheep (though's little Dog run
Yet will he stay untill his time be come)
Yes, though a Wolf come, to defend he'll stay,
And keep his Sheep, and flocks to run away:
For he that runs, a hireling is [at best]
What sort of Shepherd's ere 'twas he profit.

To know when the Wind turn before it do turn.

Seest thou a Cloud arise against the Wind,
Or on one side, when't comes o're thee (-that's find)
'Twill blow from that way where the Cloud did rise,
With a strong wind; and thus the reason lies,
Because that Wind that this new Cloud so drove,
Must needs withstand the weaker (though it strive)
As much as't could (although it lost the Field)
As many men with this World do (must yield)

2. When

2. When all the skie is thick; so that you find,
A little place, to clear against the wind;
untill it come over your Head, you may
From hence conclude, the wind will blow that way
From whence the clearing did at first appear,
Though gainst the wind, & which way 't was so e're.

3. If th' Wind be North, and a clear Air you find,
And Southern Clouds arise against the Wind;
You may conclude just so, when Clouds arise
Against the Wind, from other parts of Skies.

When it rains, to know when 't will be fair.
When Showers come fast, & take us on a sudden;
They last as long, as 't Cat stays Tyde to th'
pudding;
For when she has earen all, there's a release,
So when the drops are come, the Showers must
cease.

2. If it begin to rain an hour or two
Before day break, the Symptome seems to shew
'Twill cease e're Noon, and farther notes that a
Fair After-noon, will end that rainy day:
But if one hour or two after the Sun
Doth rise [with us] it was th' rain begun,
(Except the Rain-bow did appear before)
'Twill rain all day [I doubt] before 't give ore;
And th' Air grow thick, and thicker by degrees,
And Sun shine dimmer till 't shine not [by these]
Six hours rain will be Shepherds Lot:
Judge so if th' Moon, & Stars by night shine not.
When th' rain begins from th' South, with an
high Wind,
Raining 3 hours, and then th' Wind take, you'll
find.

And

(And still cause not rain) - by this you'll see
That for twelve hours a rainy time will be
Yea often times it raineth on this wise,
Till a strong wind (to clear the sky) arise:
Sometimes the rain lasts four and twenty hours;
And once most years there is fast falling showers
Therefore if you will take a journey, go
When the N. wind hath cleared the air, and so
Have staid there 2 fair days and no change make,
Nor change the 3d. day, then your journey take.

To know when it will be a wet Spring, and Sum-
mer, and subject to rot Sheep.

If th' eighteen last days of February be
Rain; and the first ten of March, you'll see
That the Spring Quarter, and the Summer too,
Will prove too wet, and danger to ensue.

To know how the Winter will prove.

If that *October* and *November* be
For th' most part rain and warm, expect to see
Cold *January*, and the next Month too,
Produce much Frost, except it do ensue
A hot dry summer; which if so, from hence
You must deduct the former consequence.
On the contrary; If *October* and
November, most be frost and snow do stand;
Then *January*, and the next month too,
Will open weather for the most part shew.

To

To know when the Summer will rot Sheep.
 If th' latter end of February, and
 One half of March mostly by rain do stand;
 Last part of April, and first half of May,
 If th' ground be Flooded, then they'l rot we say
 But mark this rule (which I to Shepherds put)
 If th' ground be flooded e're the Hay be cut;
 Though th' time prove after dry, yet still you not
 Withstanding this, will danger't see a rot.

To know when the Winter will rot Sheep.
 If that the ground in Autumn flooded were,
 A Winter rot you then may greatly fear:
 And though you give them ne're so much Hay,
 They will endanger to much mofl away.

THE CONCLUSION.

And thus good Shepherds I have told you what
 Is worth your minding; therefore carpe ye not:
 If you give Hay, let it be bright, and green;
 Then perhaps o'th' score you may save nineteen;
 But if 't be mow-burnt, dun, or red (tho' sweet)
 'T may spoil 19 of th' score, (or a great part.)
 Because it makes them thirfty, and so drink
 Any bad water in the pond or sink.
 Therefore (good Shepherds) I'de not have you
 stay

At Piping Ales, when you should get your Hay;
 And (as I said elsewhere) though Fiddlers cry,
 Sir, stay a while; yet stay not thou (say I.)

But

The Shepherd's Almanack

But when Sun shines, to make your hay be sure;
And being made, in Rick, or Barn secure
From rain & weather which will much impair
Your hay, for sheep (if that you take no care)
Therefore (say I) once more to you, in time
Be fur' to make hay whilst the Sun doth shine.
And one thing more I crave, love one another,
As I love you; who am your loving Brother:

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* Brother *Shepherds*, if you well pleased be
With my endeavours; next year you shall see
Th' Moons rising and her setting calculated:
And in my Book the same exactly placed:
That if you be ith' field in th' darkest night;
And Luns chance t' appear unto your sight;
By her appearance, ye may nearly know,
Th' true time of th' night, the rule I'll to you
show.

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